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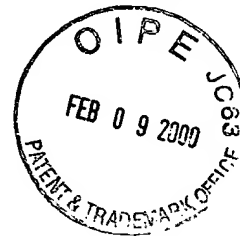
PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:)
SEIJI TAKEUCHI, ET AL.) : Examiner: Unassigned
Application No.: 09/393,966) : Group Art Unit: 2878
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OPTICAL SYSTEM) :

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231



INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

To comply with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 Form. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

(1) Japanese patent document No. 62-250401 is discussed on page 4 of the subject specification and relates to an optical device and its manufacture.

